MARK OFFICE HE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TR APPLICATION 1818 Group Art Unit M. Allen Examiner: LEE Inventor(s): 241801 PMS Atty. Dkt. 971,338 Appln. No.: 80 Client Ref M# Serial No. 个 Series Code ↑ (Our Deposit Account No. 03-3975) November 17, 1997 Filed: GDF-1 PROTEIN (as amended) Title: 241801 20263 (Our Order No. C# April 24, 1998 Date: Asst. Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 Sir: APR 2 4 1998 REPLY/AMENDMENT/LETTER

This is a reply/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated hereinto by reference and the signature below is treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto.

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Query: Is appeal deadline now? If so, file Notice of Appeals separately.

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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231 APR 2 4 1898

Sir:

Entry and consideration of the following amendment and remarks prior to examination are respectfully requested.

IN THE TITLE:

Please replace the title of the application wherever it appears with --GDF-1 Protein--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows.

8. (Amended) The protein according to claim 4 wherein said GDF-1 protein has a GDF-1 amino acid sequence as defined in Figure [2,] 11A or 11B.